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Joy to the world! The Lord is come!

Let earth receive her King; let every heart prepare Him room ...
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> and from land to land. Discover the true meaning of the
season by sharing, caring ... loving. These are the best gifts of all.





APPROXIMATELY 60 Porterville High School students were recent visitors to the new municipal court facilities in Porterville. Above, standing from left, Deputy District Attorney Martin Malone,

Municipal Judge Richard Thompson, PHS Speech Instructor Larry Russ, and Deputy Public Defender Ken Bovetti brief the students on court proceedings for the day.

Students below are, from left: Eddie Hunsaker, Ricky Rodriguez, and Greg Weins. Another of Russ' speech classes will be observing court in the spring.

Highway Patrol Is Changing To Smaller Vehicle

SACRAMENTO — The California Highway Patrol will drive intermediate-sized Dodge Coronets in 1976. A bid for 1,511 Patrol vehicles has been awarded to Swift Dodge at a unit price of \$4,530, according to Leonard Grimes, director of general services, and Glen Craig, CHP commissioner.

The Dodge bid was second low and one of seven offers including two from Ford, two from Chevrolet, and one each

from Mercury and Pontiac. The low bid of \$4,478.90 submitted by Chevrolet was rejected because it failed to meet specifications. Bids ranged up to \$5,289.88.

Total cost of 1,511 vehicles will be \$6,844,830. The Coronet unit price is \$282 less than last year's Monaco figure of \$4,812, and therefore represents an overall purchase price savings of \$400,000.

Craig said the Patrol should

also realize a \$500,000 annual savings in operating the smaller cars, and an estimated \$225,000 advantage when the cars are sold, meaning a total savings of well over a million dollars attributable to use of intermediates.

Pruning and application of dormant sprays is underway in deciduous orchards and vineyards.

HISTORIC MOVE...FARMERS COMPLIMENT UFWA ACTION

DELANO — California table grape growers have taken a historic step by complimenting the United Farmworkers of America, a labor organization they have opposed and criticized for more than a decade.

Martin Zaninovich, market information chairman for South Central Farmers committee in Delano, said the UFWA deserves credit for calling attention to the shortcomings of the state's new farm labor law.

The UFWA is involved in marching, rallying and holding meetings and discussions regarding the law.

"The UFWA is protesting the administration of the law," Zaninovich said. "The only thing worse than its administration is the law itself. It is incomplete, one-sided in favor of the UFWA and hopelessly inconsistent with the National Labor Relations act, which has governed labor-management relations in

industry successfully for 40 years."

Zaninovich said growers in many segments of California agriculture will propose several important changes in the law when the legislature convenes in Sacramento January 5. Protests by all parties to the manner in which the law operates will be especially helpful at that time, he said.

The grower spokesman said he was glad to see that current UFWA protests have de-emphasized boycotting. "Boycotting of grapes is firmly identified with the era of violence and barbarism in farm labor relations, and we have outgrown that," he said.

"The new law has replaced lawlessness, but it is badly in need of improvement and strengthening. It is important for people to understand that need," he said, "and the UFWA is helping spread the word."

Fiesta Bowl Football Players To Get Taste Of Sunkist Sunshine

PHOENIX — University of Nebraska football players participating in the Fiesta Bowl in Phoenix, Arizona, December 26, will literally have a taste of Arizona before they board their chartered airplane in Lincoln, Nebraska.

As each player steps into the aircraft, he will be presented with a Snacker Pak, a plastic bag containing a fresh Sunkist orange grown in Arizona and a plastic orange peeler.

Then, after the Cornhuskers arrive in Phoenix, they will join their opponents, Arizona State University's Sun Devils, at a

December 24, brunch as guests of Sunkist Growers, Inc.

The brunch, which has become a traditional event during the pre-Fiesta Bowl activities, features foods made with fresh citrus fruit grown in Arizona in an area around the stadium.

A mound of fresh oranges, tangerines and grapefruit in the center of each table is expected to disappear quickly as the players take handfuls back to their rooms for a post-practice snack.

Some 400 people are expected to participate, including the teams and coaches, game officials and state and local civic and business officials.

GAS CO. PAYS \$246,400 TAX

VISALIA — Southern California Gas Co. and an affiliate paid \$246,400 in first installment property taxes to Tulare county last week, with the gas company and its affiliate, Pacific Lighting Service Co., to pay a total of \$568,200 in 1975-76 property taxes to the county. Altogether, throughout the utilities' Southern and Central California service area, the firms will pay more than \$27 million in 1975-76 property taxes to local government agencies.

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VANDALIA 4-H MEMBERS WELCOME SANTA CLAUS AT DECEMBER MEET

VANDALIA — A highlight of the December meeting of the Vandalia 4-H club was a visit from Santa Claus, who was welcomed by the group singing "Jingle Bells," "Rudolph, The Red-Nosed Reindeer," and "Here Comes Santa Claus" led by the songleaders, Shannon Graves, Jill Hammond, Kathy Moench, and Dana Hosfeldt.

Citizenship members Dennis Moench, Carla Carter, and Kathy Bennett reported on the origin of the state seal, state motto and state nickname. This is a continuing project and next month reports will be given on the state bird, song, and colors.

Karen Nichols reported on the Thanksgiving food basket which was presented to the club's adopted family, and Dennis Moench asked for a small donation from each family to help purchase Christmas gifts to go along with the food basket this month.

Leighann Milford told of the group's educational tour through Sierra View hospital and Kelly Martin announced that the CPR class would be rescheduled in the spring. Diane Hosfeldt told of packaging several dozen cookies to be sent to servicemen overseas.

Project reports were given by Kevin and Karen Kilburn, Gary Laux, Suzanne, Luanne and Shannon Graves, Kelly Martin, Dennis and Kathy Moench.

Dawn Hosfeldt presided over the meeting; Dana Hosfeldt, Paige Wilson, and Jill Holbrook led the flag salute; the 4-H pledge was led by Shannon Graves and Jill Hammond.

Christmas decorations and refreshments were provided by a committee headed by Carla Carter, Lee Ann Bowman and Ricky Mueller. Their helpers were Jason Carter, Rondi Mueller, Robin, Cathy, and Harry Williams, Debra and Sheryl Walker.

Next meeting will be January 8, 1976, and will feature demonstrations by those

members who wish to take part in the area demonstration day to be held January 24 in Lindsay.

AWARDS FOR CAN RECYCLING TO LOCAL MEN

VISALIA — Gene Stebbins, president of C&S Distributing company, a local Coors Brewing distributor, H.R. McGuire, manager of the Visalia C&S branch, Doug Stebbins, recycling manager for the C&S Distributing co. and Herb Schumacher, manager of the Porterville C&S branch have been honored by Aluminum Company of America for their "outstanding achievements in aluminum beverage can recycling."

At the awards ceremony, George Herrman, Alcoa's corporate manager for aluminum reclamation, lauded Messrs. Stebbins, McGuire and Schumacher and their organization for reclaiming on average better than nine out of every 10 all-aluminum cans that go into the city distribution area.

C&S Distributing of Visalia collected 474,740 pounds, or more than 10,919,020 cans, and paid collectors over \$71,211.00 for them under the "Cash for Cans" program during the first nine months of 1975.

C&S Distributing of Porterville collected 329,920 pounds, or more than 7,588,160 cans, and paid collectors over \$49,488.00 for them.

Both distributors were among 41 locations that collected a total of 13,875,619 pounds of aluminum, or 319 million individual cans, and paid collectors \$2,081,342.85 over the first 10 months of 1975.

Stebbins and Schumacher were awarded a plaque that carries a reproduction of the legendary Phoenix, symbol of rebirth and renewal.

FARM FRONT

VISALIA — Quality and color are good but soluble solids to acid ration (test) continues to be disappointing and field men are having a hard time keeping packing houses in oranges, according to report from the office of Agricultural Commissioner Clyde R. Churchill.

In the report covering the week that ended December 20, Churchill said that cotton harvest is near completion, with shredding of stalks and discing of fields continuing.

Some alfalfa is being planted; grapes continue to move out of cold storage, with good acceptance on the domestic and foreign markets; pruning of deciduous fruit trees and vines is underway.

Moving to market are sugar peas, tomatoes, Chinese cabbage, and other leafy vegetables; a few Taro corms are being harvested; cauliflower for processing is being picked.

Rangelands generally need rain to bring along the grass that has already started.

Collapse Of Bucket Seats To Be Checked

SACRAMENTO — Traffic accidents caused by the collapse of bucket seats in cars will be the subject of a special three-month study by the California Highway Patrol to help determine the possible need for a consumer protection safety callback of certain passenger vehicles.

Commissioner Glen Craig said the CHP received a formal request from the U.S. Department of Justice for data concerning accidents caused by this specific mechanical defect and the special study will start January 1.



A TOTAL of 35 Christmas murals, painted by Porterville, Monache, and Citrus high school students, on ward buildings at the Porterville State hospital are now on display during the day and night; the public is invited to view them. In photos, from top: Sweepstakes winner, ward W-1A, by Jo Anne Nichols, a sophomore at Porterville high; first place, ward M-14, by Craig Kanady, a senior at Citrus high; second place, ward M-9, by Mynda Milinich, a senior at Monache high; third place, ward M-11, by Bill Loflin, a senior at Monache high; fourth place, ward M-3, by Kevin Davis, a junior at Monache high, and special mention, ward F-7 (not in photos) by Eddie Rodriguez, a sophomore at Porterville high. A panel of judges from the community made the selections. (Farm Tribune photos)

CLASS OF 47 MEMBERS GRADUATED FROM PSYCHIATRIC TECH. PROGRAM

PORTERVILLE — A class of 47 was graduated from the psychiatric technology program at Porterville college in a public ceremony Saturday in the PC Student Union.

The graduates have completed three semesters of training at the college which qualifies them to take the state licensing examination as psychiatric technicians.

Dr. James Shelton, medical director at Porterville State hospital, was the guest speaker; PC Association Dean of Technical and Vocational Education, Edward Buckles welcomed the guests and made introductions.

Student address was given by Dan Doggett; Rev. Larry Meyers, interim pastor of the First Congregational church, gave the invocation and benediction; Porterville College Vocal Music Instructor Tom Miller presented musical selections; and Ted Cornell, board of trustee member of Kern Community College district, awarded the certificates.

Members of the graduating

class include: Mary Alba, James Baumgardner, Gail Brannen, Rudy Bravo, Verna Brents, Raul Canchola, Lee Clark, Terry Davis, Dan Doggett, and Steve Dupuy.

Edmund Garcia, Jose Garcia, Linda Graves, Maryellen Gurrola, Diane Harris, Myra Harris, Venus Hergesheimer, Jane Hickey, Shirley Huff, Mildred Kitley, Ann Konda, Teresa Lambert, Albert Lopez, Joe Lopez, Nancy Lyle, Carol Magowan, Rodney Mahaffey, Carlos Medrano, Ellen Meyers, Joan Mitchell and Harvey Montoya.

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FRIANT WATER USERS SUPPORT MOVE TO LOCATE POWER PLANTS ON COAST

VISALIA — Directors of the Friant Water Users association voted at their December meeting to support the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) in a campaign to locate thermal power plants on the coast rather than inland where fresh water would be required for cooling purposes.

The board also voted to seek approval from the 26 member districts of FWUA for

a contribution of \$2,000 to support an ACWA action program for achieving the objective.

J.P. Boudreau of Terra Bella, chairman of ACWA's thermal-electric committee, said that if nuclear power plant now on the drawing boards are sited inland, the tremendous amounts of cooling water required would come from supplies badly needed for agricultural

production.

The resolution also urged speed in developing technology to enable power producers to utilize waste water for cooling of their nuclear facilities.

J.F. Sorensen of Visalia, association secretary, said a new spirit of optimism exists among federal water contractors as a result of Federal District Judge Thomas MacBride's ruling in the New Melones case.

In that landmark decision, MacBride ruled the state of California could not impose terms on the Bureau of Reclamation in its use of water from federal projects. The state has sought to keep more water in the Delta at the expense of contracts and allocations already in effect.

Sorensen warned that environmental groups now are urging Governor Brown to oppose all federal appropriations for construction of the New Melones, Auburn and San Felipe projects until the state is recognized as the supreme water authority.

"This association must take exception to those efforts and continue to emphasize our requirements and the legitimate claims we have on water to meet our needs," Sorensen told the FWUA board.

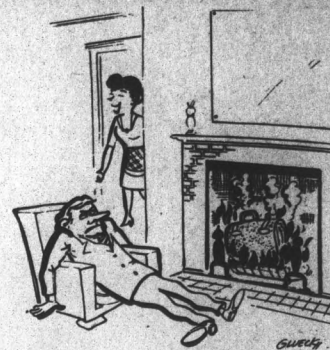
A guest speaker was William R. Johnston, director of the recently formed San Joaquin Valley interagency drainage program. He said the objective of the agency is to develop a complete program for managing the valley's drainage problems by mid-1978. He announced plans for an advisory committee to insure public input into the program.

In another action, the association opposed some features of proposed legislation in purchase requirements of excess lands in reclamation projects. A

draft of the bill now is being circulated by California Senators Cranston and Tunney and Congressmen Sisk and Krebs.

Specific points opposed are: 1. Continued recognition by the bill of the 160-acre limitation in federal projects, whether or not this constitutes an economic unit; 2. Favoring of persons receiving federal loans for purchase of the property over buyers relying on conventional financing; 3. A requirement that buyers must reside on the property purchased.

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ROD HUDSON, the first Porterville College student in recent years to compete in intercollegiate and professional rodeos, would like to see other students join him. Hudson, who is president of PC's Rodeo club, is currently seeking five other men and three women students to form a rodeo team for the college to compete in regional intercollegiate rodeos and possibly Rodeo Cowboy association events next year. The 19-year-old student, who has taken part in 16 bareback riding events over the past eight months, says the key to successful rodeo performing is practice, and he says the Tule River Indian Tribal council has agreed to provide an arena and horses for a minimum charge if a team is organized. And he said he would like to see the Rodeo club sponsor an intercollegiate rodeo in Jamison Stadium. (Ray Cauwet photo)

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SCICON DRIVE \$10,000 SHORT; "FRIENDS" CONTINUE TO SEEK FUNDS

VISALIA — Although "Friends of Scicon" have made a loan of \$33,000 to cover final payment on 1,000 acres for the Clemmie Gill School For Science and Conservation, "Friends" stress confidence that the drive will finally conclude a success. Officially, the Acres For Scicon Drive was to end December 1, 1975, when the last of three payments was due, some \$97,000. The "drive" was nearly \$40,000 short of the cash amount needed one week before deadline. Legal counsel advised "Friends" to conclude the contract with the Southern California land company which

led "Friends" to negotiate a loan.

The drive currently lacks less than \$25,000. H.D. Lovik, county-wide co-chairman, said if all pledges are honored (about \$15,000), the drive is actually short only about \$10,000.

Lovik said that communities are continuing to forward contributions to the Scicon office in Visalia, and "Friends" are still optimistic that the total amount of the drive's goal will be met and the loan repaid within several weeks.

The Visalia Unified School district joined the ranks of two other communities, Tulare and

Dinuba, this week when the drive topped the \$80,250 (321 acres) quota. Quotas were assigned to county communities based upon the number of students in each district.

Lovik said that Porterville has now jumped from 50 percent of its quota of \$65,500 in the past several weeks to the 70 percent completion mark.

Other communities involved in the drive are Alpaugh, Cutler, Oroquieta, Earlimart and Richgrove, Exeter, Lindsay, Strathmore, and Woodlake.

The drive started 30 months ago when a Southern California land company which owned

17,000 acres adjoining the Scicon campus made known plans of subdivision of property into private homesites. "Friends" noted that such an act would destroy much of the animal and plant life at the school and destroy the campus natural environmental setting.

Scicon is used annually by thousands of students in environmental education studies. Students visit the school either on day study trips or week-long educational activities.

Donations may still be sent to Acres For Scicon, P.O. Box 3614, Visalia, and are tax deductible.

BICENTENNIAL TREE PLANTING AT SPRINGVILLE

SPRINGVILLE — A Bicentennial tree will be planted after the first of the year at the Springville Memorial building by the Golden Hills 4-H club, with arrangements being handled through the club's Community Pride committee.

On December 11, the Community Pride group held a work session at the Springville Community park, raking leaves, picking up trash, sweeping the tennis court, and collecting and smashing cans.

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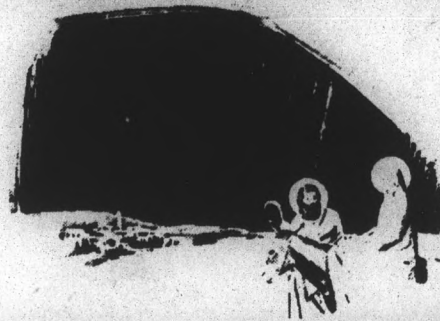


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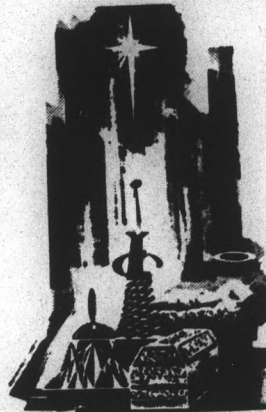
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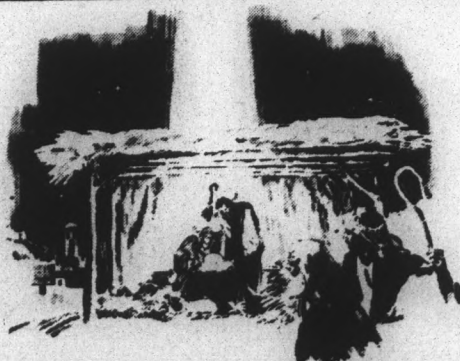
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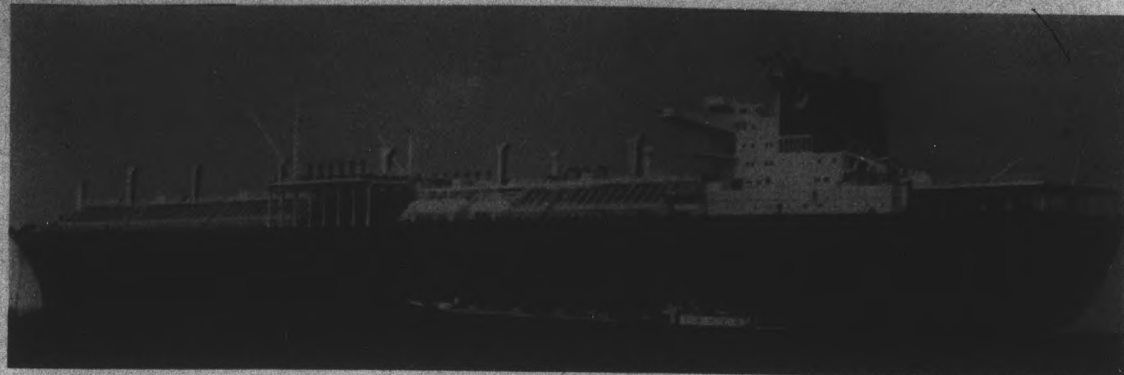
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PRAIRIE CENTER 4-H HOLDS PARTY

PRAIRIE CENTER — The Prairie Center 4-H club held its Christmas party and regular meeting on December 15, at Sunnyside school.

The meeting was called to order by Becky Fuller; songs were led by Robin Morin, Cliff Loeffler and Keith Noel; flag salute and 4-H pledge were led by Floyd Johnson; Mike Veeman gave the roll call; and Jodi Sammann read the minutes of the last meeting.

There were 64 members, seven parents, six leaders, and two guests present.

Mike Veeman gave the treasurer's report and Pam Oxford gave the reporter's report. Correspondence reports were given by Deby and Keith Noel.

The Porterville parade report was given by Leah DePaoli, the Christmas parade by Dave Imbach. Project reports were given by the following people: Darlene Ross, Regina Bray, Ronda Bray, Anne DePaoli, Leah DePaoli, Joe Domecq, Vincent Domecq, Chuck Ervin, Cheryl Ervin, and Becky Fuller.

After the meeting a Christmas party with exchange of gifts, games, and refreshments was held. Next meeting will be held on January 5.

Production of small grains - wheat, oats and barley - totalled 3,413,000 tons in California in 1975, a 46 percent increase over 1974.



THE TULARE County Society for Crippled Children and Adults Inc. is in dire need of wheelchairs and other sick room equipment, and Jack Anglin, above of Porterville, has done something about it, repairing eight broken down wheelchairs and is now looking for more. Persons who have an unused or damaged wheelchair, crutches, walker, or braces can contact Anglin, or Edwards studio in Porterville at 784-5664, and arrangements will be made to pick them up and a tax deductible receipt will be given. At the present time the society has more than 91 wheelchairs in use and countless smaller sickroom equipment. The need for more is urgent.

(Edwards Studio photo)

Medical Technology Program Offered As A "First" By Cal State Bakersfield

BAKERSFIELD — Cal State Bakersfield's Medical Technology program has been granted accreditation by the Council on Medical Education of the American Medical Association, making it possible for CSB to offer the first approved and accredited integrated program in Medical Technology in a California state college.

"This means," said Dr. John Coash, dean of Natural Sciences and Mathematics under which the program operates as part of the Department of Health Sciences, "that a student can, at the end of four years, acquire both the licensure from the State of California Department of Health and certification by the Board of Registry of Medical Technologists of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists."

Medical Technology at Cal State Bakersfield was initiated as an option in the Health Sciences department in September, 1973. At that time, preliminary accreditation from the AMA Council on Medical Education and approved by the state department of health was received. The first class of 11 Medical Technologists graduated in June, 1975.

Faculty for the program include Betty P. Yearout, program director; William R.

Schmalborst, M.D., medical director; and Sharon K. Roberts, education coordinator. Initial years of the clinical portion of the education program are in affiliation with Kern Medical center.

BRENT GILL ASSOCIATED WITH DEAN WITTER CO.

PORTERVILLE — Brent Gill, raised in the Springville country and a graduate of Porterville high school, is now associated with Dean Witter & Co., working in the southeastern Tulare county area out of the company's Visalia office.

Gill has a BS degree in business from Cal State Bakersfield, with emphasis on accounting. He completed a Dean Witter training course in San Francisco after he joined the firm last July.

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY -
The weaker sex is stronger
because of the weakness of the
stronger sex for the weaker sex.

SUNKIST TRACK MEET JANUARY 16

LOS ANGELES - For the
seventh straight year, Sunkist
Growers, Inc. will sponsor the
Sunkist Invitational Track meet,
January 16, at the Los Angeles
Sports arena, bringing together
America's top track and field
athletes.

For many of the stars, it will
be the first step toward winning
a berth on the team representing
the United States at the Olympic
Games in Montreal next July.

The Sunkist Invitational, first
major event on the indoor
program each year, has become
one of the top sports attractions
in Southern California. Last year
world records were broken in
the high jump, pole vault and
women's mile run.

Among the American athletes
expected to participate are
sprinters Steve Williams and
Houston McTear; middle
distance stars Rick Wohlhuter,
Maurice Peoples and Jim
Bolding; milers Marty Liquori
and Tony Waldrop; pole vaulter
Dan Ripley; high jumpers
Dwight Stone and Tom Woods;
long jumper Randy Williams;
shotputter Al Feuerbach; and
women's record holder in the
mile and 1,500-meter runs,
Francie Larrieu.

Invitations also have been
extended to a number of foreign
stars, including John Walker of
New Zealand, who holds the
world mile record.

UOP STUDENTS GET TRAINING IN DRUG STORES

STOCKTON - Roger
McFall and Robert Campbell,
University of the Pacific
School of Pharmacy students,
have been studying the
community pharmacy business
firsthand through a unique
internship program that is the
largest in the world.

McFall has been working
full-time at Exeter Drug
company in Exeter under the
direction of Charles Clark and
Jerry Shapazian, adjunct
professors at UOP. Campbell
has been working at Smith's
Drug in Porterville under the
direction of LeRoy Rohrbach,
Chuck Shoopman and Don
Scaggs, adjunct professors and
UOP.

A total of 65 future
pharmacists at Pacific are
spending a semester in the
practical application of
classroom learning at
pharmacies throughout
California, Maryland and
Hawaii.

The Farm Tribune BILLBOARD

DECEMBER

25 - Guess What?
JANUARY
5 - Back To School
23 - "Finishing Touches" Opens
At Barn Theater

FEBRUARY

7 - Porterville Chamber Banquet
10-11-12 - California Farm
Equipment Show,
Tulare

APRIL

17 - Jackass Mail Run
24-25 - Springville-Sierra Rodeo
MAY
20-21-22 - Porterville
Bicentennial Fair

SANTA GETS NEW HELPERS AT BURTON 4-H

BURTON - Regular
meeting of Burton 4-H was
postponed until December 16
due to foggy weather, but
while Santa Claus was due to
appear at the regular meeting
he was unable to be at the
rescheduled one, so Mrs. Judy
Kaiser and Mrs. Rose Webb
filled in for him as his new
helpers.

Pledge of Allegiance was led
by Brent Reed and the 4-H
Pledge by Lisa Pundt;
Treasurer Karen Webb
announced Burton would
present "Acres for Scicon"
with a check for \$125.00;
Chairman Tammy Moore
collected S & H Green stamps
for a recorder and tape player
to be presented to the
Hacienda Convalescent home
in the near future; Jan
Landeros and Melissa Webb
reported on annual roadside
cleanup; and Karen Webb
reported on the Citizenship
meeting.

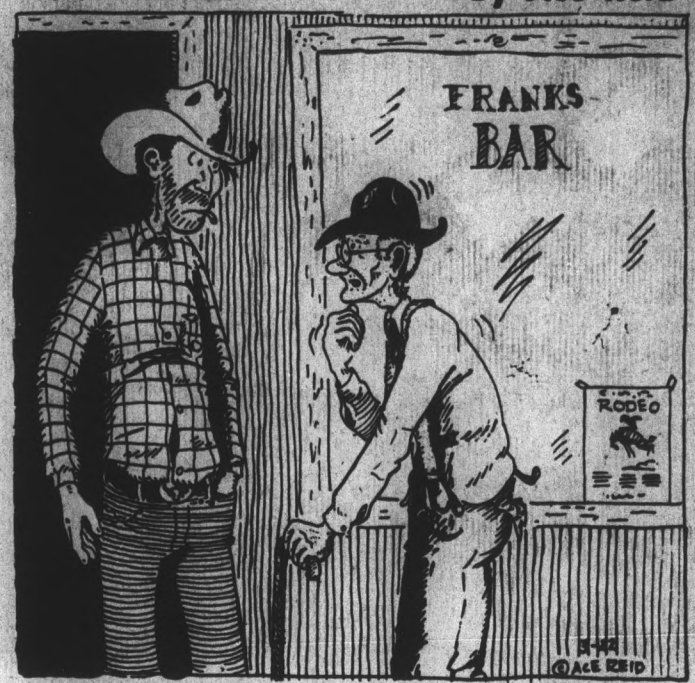
Adult Leader Mrs. Joan
Padula announced she would
be taking reservations for a
trip to Fresno, Saturday,
December 20, to tour the
"Freedom Train."

Project reports were given
by Clifford Witt and Traci
Jones. Recreation was a
book-and-can relay race with
Chris Todd and Kirk Hill as
chairmen.

Members sang Christmas
songs and had a Musical Gift
exchange with several younger
brothers and sisters of
members participating. Bob
Stadtherr and Willie Johnson
were refreshment chairmen
with punch and Christmas
cookies being served. Next
regular meeting of Burton 4-H
will be held January 13.

COW POKES

By Ace Reid



"Wul, sir, if I'd knowed I wuz gonna live this long,
I'da took better care of myself!"

Dairy Clinic At Farm Equipment Show

TULARE - A Dairy Clinic will be held at the California Farm
Equipment show at the Tulare County fairgrounds on Tuesday
morning, February 10, according to Gale Gurtle, Tulare County
Farm advisor.

The program will start at 9:30 a.m. with speakers who will discuss
raising and feeding corn silage; situation and outlook of the dairy
industry; and use of economic formulas for setting Class I milk
prices.

All dairymen and others interested in the dairy industry are
invited to attend.



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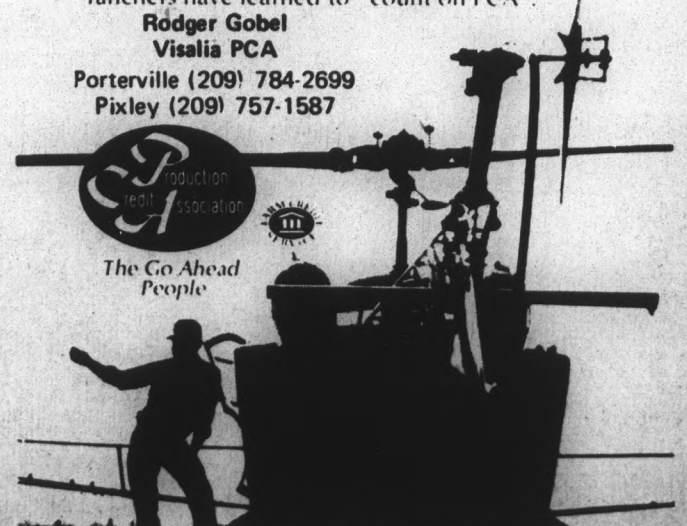
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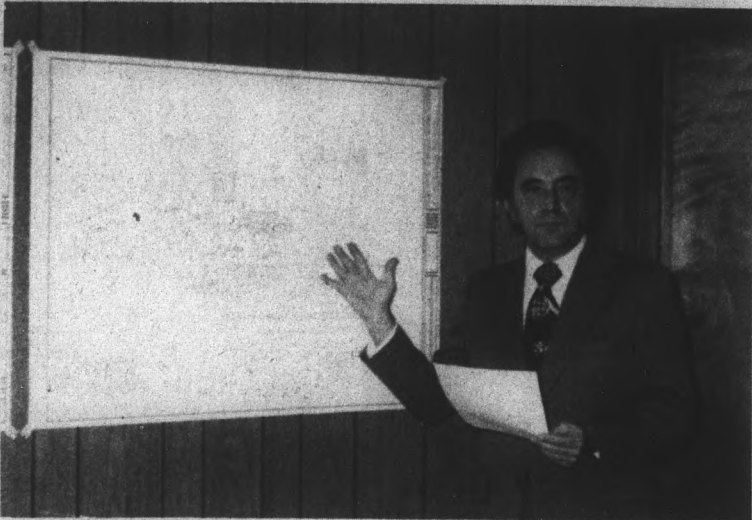
JUST IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS ... MONACHE MARAUDER BAND RECORD

PORTERVILLE — A new record album - four sides of "magnificent Monache music" - has been released just in time for Christmas and is available at Meade's Music, Wayne's Music Mart, and Edward's Studio.

One record has selected numbers from each Marauder band of the past six years, with reverse side carrying the entire Selma Band festival award-winning performance of the Monache band in 1973-74.

Second record in the album carries the sounds of the Monache Stage band in concert and on a nation-wide tour during the summer of 1975, when the band travelled 8,000 miles. Appropriate Bicentennial music has also been included on this record.

The album is priced at \$6.50.



SCHEMATIC PLAN for the proposed Zalud park between Grand and Henderson, west of the Southern Pacific tracks, was accepted last week by the Porterville city council, with Architect Ron Paige, above, estimating cost at above \$300,000. The property, willed to the city by the late Pearle Zalud, will include a rose garden and a children's playground, plus recreational facilities and equipment, and building complex. Basic contract was estimated at \$233,105 to cover clearing of the site, utilities, baseball field, grass and landscaping, irrigation system, rest rooms, park walkways, 41-car parking area, and security lighting. (Farm Tribune photo)

WHAT IS CHRISTMAS?

In many areas of the world Christmas is a traditional and holy holiday. But in America, Christmas often means only profit, office parties, money spending, gorging one's self with rich food, brainwashing young minds with tales of a something-for-nothing Santa, or kissing the wrong people under a sprig of mistletoe.

The Bible says that a child named Jesus, son of a Nazarene named Joseph the carpenter, was born in the winter solstice at Bethlehem, town of David. The date guessed was December 25th. So it was agreed that Christmas would celebrate the coming of the Messiah on that date every year.

Somewhere along the road we lost Jesus. He was outranked by a jolly fat fable called Santa Claus, sort of a replica of Saint Nicholas, who made toys all year long at the North Pole and flew the night winds of Christmas Eve behind his reindeer to deposit gifts around a fir tree for youngsters.

No, Virginia, there really is no Santa Claus.

But there is a Jesus, a meek baby who was christened by his own father in the temple of Bethlehem. He is as real as the bright stars winking in the black velvet of the heavens. He has time for us; we often have none for him.

In our early life, we celebrated Christmas only in the church, where all gifts were brought - a little hard

candy, some nuts, and most always a big Navel orange. We sang carols - "Joy to the World" and "O Little Town of Bethlehem" and others.

Now the spirit is often gone; Christmas is business; the name of Jesus is forgotten. In many cities Christmas lights and trees are up by November 15. Toys are sold that require master mechanics to put together. Radio stations try to beat each other playing Christmas jingles for five weeks until the point of nausea is reached.

Little ones are encouraged to tell Santa what they want without a word about whose birthday is being celebrated. Millions go to church as a matter of duty - not love.

On the hill at Bethlehem, where the inn stood, army officers look through binoculars at Jordan, 23 miles away, and the Dead Sea.

The Prince of Peace brought no peace because man was not ready for him. Man is less ready now. He has his own toys, which will destroy entire cities in a solitary flash, fusing people and buildings together like melted glass.

The best story from last year was of a little girl who came running down the stairs Christmas morning, paying no attention to the gifts but singing "Happy Birthday, Dear Jesus - Happy Birthday to you."

And the story of the little girl who lived in poverty with her mother - wishing to give her a present, went to the back alley where she found a white shoe box, a scrap of Christmas wrapping, discarded by someone, and some plain white string. She wrapped the box the best she could, with a note inside saying: "Dear Mother, all I have to give is Love."

Where in all the world is there a greater gift than Love, the real gift of Christmas?

- Al Hilton

VON BUELOW PLANS SPECIAL STUDIES

PORTERVILLE — Porterville College Language Arts Professor Hans von Buelow will spend the next eight months studying languages and cultures of several foreign countries. As a part of a sabbatical leave, he will visit the nations of Mexico, San Salvador, Guatemala, Spain, France and West Germany.

GOLDEN HILLS 4-H MEMBERS HEAR REPORTS

SPRINGVILLE — Project reports and demonstrations featured December meeting of the Golden Hills 4-H club held in the Springville Memorial building.

Mrs. Katie Black reported on the Tack Swap; Mrs. Shirley Mitchell on the Home Economics Advisory board; Twila Stevens, on Christmas party committee meeting and on Community Pride; Caroline Valenzuela, on the Mountain Home Prison camp tour; Tracy Rutherford on the skating party; Mrs. Barbara Bodley on a Leaders' Council meeting; and Jimmy Bodley on 4-H Breakfast awards.

Presenting a Creative Crafts demonstration on different countries of the world were Cheryl Cross, John Cross, Sherry Norris, Christine Peterson, Cynthia Peterson, Allen Ray, and Wally Townsend. They used miniature plaster models that required almost four months to make.

Other demonstrations were given by Brenda Tompkins, Samantha Mitchell, and Caroline Valenzuela; Betsy Atkin and Tracy Rutherford; and Cheryl Bodley and Twila Stevens. Project reports were given by Samantha Mitchell, Shelly Mitchell, and Caroline Valenzuela.

The meeting opened with the flag salute and the singing of "America The Beautiful," and closed with group singing and the serving of refreshments.

CITRUS HIGH HOSTS STUDENTS FROM EXETER

PORTERVILLE — Students at Citrus High school hosted approximately 30 Exeter continuation school students recently for an afternoon of volleyball, refreshments, and a tour of the Citrus campus and facilities. Get-acquainted sessions among Tulare County continuation schools began only recently.

An all-day program of sack races, ping pong, volleyball, and picnic lunches is being planned for the spring, which will include student groups from several area continuation schools.

Seasons Greetings

*Glory To God
In The Highest
And On Earth
Peace, Good Will
Toward Men.*

Luke: 2:14

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